

G	Great Basin Priority Summary Based on Most Recent 209's Date: 9/26/2018																
Priority	ST	Unit	Incident	Suppression Strategy	Descriptive Location	Size	24 hr. Change	% Contained	Expected Contain Date	Complexity/IC	Crews Assigned		Helicopters Assigned			- Critical Needs	Threats
											T-1	T-2IA or 2	T-1	T-2	T-3	Critical Needs	inreats
New and emerging initial attack within the Great Basin																	
1	WY	BTF	Roosevelt	Full Suppression	32 mi. S of Jackson, WY	50,585	780	35%	10/10/18	Type 1 Team Tony DeMasters	9	18	5	2	3	3 engines T-3- 6, 2 HEQB, 2 TFLD, 2 T-2 crews	Structures, power, telephone and gas lines along U.S. 189/191
2	UT	UWF	Pole Creek	Full Suppression	12 mi. NE of Nephi, UT	101,895	52	65%	10/10/18	Type 1 Team Marty Adell	6	20	4	1	2	3 TFLD, 2 HC1, 2 HEQB, 1 STAM, 1 HMGB	Transportation corridors, Communities of Mapleton, Salem, Elk Ridge, Santaquin, Spring Lake and Woodland Hills
3	UT	UWF	Bald Mountain	Full Suppression	1 mi. E of Payson, UT	18,605	5	76%	10/10/18	Type 1 Team Todd Pechota	2	5	0	0	0	None	Transportation corridors, structures in Payson Canyon, Salem, Elk Ridge, Santaquin, Spring Lake and Woodland Hill's areas
4	UT	UWF	Mirror Lake Complex	Full Suppression	6 mi. E of Kamas, UT	1,749	154	19%	10/31/18	Type 2 Team Tim Roide	2	2	3	1	2	None	Low threats
5	WY	BTF	Marten Creek	Full Suppression	13 mi. E of Afton, WY	6,475	3	77%	11/01/18	Type 2 Team Taiga Rohrer	3	6	2	2	2	Maintain current resources	Low threat potential
6	ID	CAX	Conner	Full Suppression	4 mi. SW of Malta, ID	13,607	0	75%	9/27/18	Type 3 IC J. Bedke	1	2	0	0	0	Maintain current resources	SGH, 2-3 primary residences on south flank of fire



Evening Brief

Date: Wednesday September 26th, 2018

Weather Summary

*** High Risk for Gusty Winds and Low RH for western Wyoming thru Friday, and over parts of Southern ID Thursday *

Northwest winds will increase again today and Friday in the north as a disturbance drops into the Northern Rockies, with wind speeds reaching critical levels across western Wyoming and over parts of central and eastern Idaho today, along with RH 12-15%. Breezy winds remain on Friday over western WY but will not be quite as strong as today/Thu. With existing fires, gusty winds, critically dry relative humidity values, and record high ERCs, a *High Risk* has been issued for western Wyoming into Idaho Thu/Fri.

Another low pressure system will approach the Pacific Northwest Saturday, and move northeast into northern Idaho on Sunday. Southwest winds will increase this weekend ahead of the low over much of Nevada into western Utah, with a few showers possible in central Idaho on Sunday, however these showers will be light with most moisture will track across the Pac NW into the Northern Rockies. Southwest winds Saturday will increase with gusts above 35-40 mph across much of Nevada into Western Utah with RH 5-10%. High Risk has been issued for Saturday. See map. Winds will remain gusty to strong Sunday into early next week as a stronger low approaches and moves across the area. Additional High Risk may be needed for Sunday/Monday depending on cloud cover and moisture moving north.

Southwest flow ahead of this low will draw up significant tropical moisture from the eastern Pacific Sunday into early next week, with the potential for widespread heavy rains starting late Sunday into Monday over southern Nevada, the AZ Strip into southern and central Utah. Moisture will quickly spread north over nearly all of the Great Basin Tuesday. The heaviest and most widespread areas of wetting rains are expected across Utah, far eastern Nevada and eventually into eastern Idaho and Wyoming on Tuesday, with lighter showers further west.

Preparedness Levels & Great Basin Fire Activity (from WFDSS)

Great Basin	4
National	2

Light Initial Attack Activity

GB New Fires and Acres: 5 fires 107.6 acres; 994 acres large fire growth

Great Basin Fuel Status interactive link (Use Edge, Chrome or Firefox browsers)

Fuels and Fire Behavior advisory has been updated and issued for Northern Great Basin

Fuels/Fire Potential

The current 3-4 week dry period across the region has resulted in record or near record dry dead fuels across Utah, Nevada, the AZ Strip, Southern Idaho and Western Wyoming. Most ERC's in these areas are in the 80th-90th percentile, with some areas still in the 97th percentile over eastern Idaho and Wyoming. Even those near the 80th percentile are near peak mid-summer normals, as well as near or at records for this late in the year. Further north, across the northern Payette and Salmon Challis forests, ERC's are closer to late September normals.

Live Fuels (Sagebrush) remains near record dry levels, 60-80% across most of Utah/Nevada and far southern Idaho. This, combined with heavy fine fuel loading from the past 2 winters from northern NV/UT and far southern ID, will make large fire growth possible during any ignitions that coincide with moderate or higher wind days.

A warming/drying is expected through this week. However, another low pressure system will bring cooler weather this weekend, with an even stronger low dropping temperatures next week. These lows will interact with tropical Eastern Pacific moisture to bring widespread significant wetting rains to the eastern 2/3 of the Great Basin early next week. Fire danger is expected to decrease significantly region wide next week.



Resources

Aviation within the Great Basin

- o 2 VLAT's, 8 LATs, 0 CL-415's
- o 20 SEATs, 4 Fire Bosses
- o 16 Type 1 Helicopters / 14 Committed
- o 14 Type 2 Helicopters / 11 Committed
- o 24 Type 3 Helicopters

Crews Committed within the Great Basin

- o 24 IHCs Committed / 1 Available
- o 50 T-2 IAs Committed / 0 Available

Current Incident Details

Todays Activity (from WFDSS):

Incident Name	Unique Fire Identifier	Size	Status	Latitude	Longitude	Pt. Of Origin Sage Grouse Habitat
King	2018-IDSTF-000369	0.2	Controlled 09/26/18	43.84192	114.613	NO
Schellbourne	2018-NVTMFX-030682	100	Not Contained	39.43984	119.8238	NO
Buck Creek	2018-WYBTF-001832	0.1	Not Contained	43.24772	110.6089	NO
Bingham County Assist 9	2018-ID4BN-000304	4.2	Controlled 09/26/18	43.23677	112.4348	NO
Mahogany	2018-IDIFD-018302	3.1	Contained 09/26/18	44.25694	112.9873	IHMA

^{**}fires occurred previous night, not previously reported

For additional information go to: <u>Great Basin Coordination Center Web Site</u>